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R 261642Z APR 78  
FM AMEMBASSY BRUSSELS  
TO AMEMBASSY BANGUI  
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TAGS: PEPR, EAID, EEC, CT  
SUBJECT: CAE REQUEST FOR RECALL OF EEC REP IN BANGUI

REF: BANGUI 922

1. EC COMMISSION DEVELOPMENT OFFICIAL RESPONSIBLE FOR CENTRAL AFRICAN EMPIRE (CAE) AFFAIRS, IN APRIL 21 CONVERSATION WITH MISSION OFFICER, CORROBORATED INFORMATION CONTAINED REFTEL, PARA 1. JACQUES COLLET IS REPORTEDLY IN BRUSSELS AND WILL SHORTLY RETURN TO BANGUI TO RETRIEVE HIS HOUSEHOLD EFFECTS.

2. COMMISSION OFFICIALS TELL US THAT, WHILE THEY ARE TROUBLED AND PERPLEXED BY BOKASSA'S ACTION, LIKELY IMMEDIATE CAUSE OF GOCAE REQUEST FOR COLLET'S RECALL IS THAT COLLET OFFENDED BOKASSA BY REFUSING TO ALLOW AWARD OF A CONTRACT UNDER A EUROPEAN DEVELOPMENT FUND (EDF) SPONSORED PROJECT TO ONE OF THE EMPEROR'S ASSOCIATES. THESE OFFICIALS ALSO INDICATED THAT ANY BACKGROUND INFORMATION THAT EMBASSY BANGUI MIGHT BE ABLE TO

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PROVIDE ON THIS MATTER WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

3. REGARDING COMMISSION VIEW OF PRESENT AND FUTURE EDF ACTIVITIES IN CAE, WE ARE TOLD THAT INDICATIVE PROGRAM, SIGNED BETWEEN EC AND GOCAE, IS NOW RECOGNIZED BY BOTH SIDES AS "NOT VIABLE", FOR A VARIETY OF REASONS. AS A RESULT, GOCAE HAS RECENTLY PROPOSED REVISIONS IN PROGRAM

(TO INCLUDE ALTERNATIVE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS), BUT AS A  
MEASURE OF EC PIQUE WITH BOKASSA, COMMISSION CONSIDERATION  
OF THESE PROPOSED CHANGES HAS DELIBERATELY BEEN POSTPONED  
UNTIL LATE MAY. COMMISSION OFFICIALS SAY THAT IT IS  
EXTREMELY UNLIKELY, HOWEVER, THAT DESPITE COLLET'S  
EXPULSION, RELATIONS WITH GOCAE WILL DETERIORATE TO THE  
POINT THAT COMMUNITY AID WILL ACTUALLY BE CURTAILED.  
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